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## TELEGRAPHIC.

BATTLEFORD, May 12th, 1882.

Since the flooding of the town by the overflow of the river this spring, great dissatisfaction has been felt in regard to the present site. Mr. Alexander Macdonald, who arrived a few days since from Edmonton, having learned this, offered to give his claim on the elevated plateau between the Saskatchewan and Battle rivers to all who chose to erect buildings there. His offer was at once closed with, streets were laid out and a great many of us will at once commence moving from this present location. Four stores are to be built immediately, in addition to shops and private residences. The site, which adjoins the barracks, is unsurpassed in the country.

J. G. Dawes and Joe McDonald arrived here on their way to Winnipeg on the morning of the eighth.

Messrs. Alexander Macdonald and Dunlop arrived on the ninth, Messrs. Wood and Fraser on the eleventh. The mail also reached here the same day.

Mr. Dewdney has not reached here yet and prospects for permits this season are slim.

## LOCAL.

J. LAKE is erecting a small dwelling.

FRESH duck eggs are coming into market.

The telegraph line is still down east of Pelly.

THE H.B.Co's York boat got back from Victoria on Friday last.

OWING to the scarcity of seed very few oats will be sown this year.

COL. JARVIS has sold his farm near the Two Hills to Donald McLeod for \$900.

GARDENING operations are going ahead and almost everyone is in the business.

HUMBERSTONE is getting coal grates made for use in the next brick kiln he burns.

THE river which was high last week has lowered greatly during the last few days.

JOHN FRASER recently caught two trout that weighed 14 and 16 pounds respectively.

D. MALONEY has discovered a three foot seam of coal on his farm at Riviere Qui Barre.

STURGEON are being caught in considerable numbers this spring, some in nets and some with gaff hooks.

DURING the high water the ferry scow occupied a little over a minute and a half in a trip. Equal to steam.

INDIANS are not so plentiful around town now as during the winter, which is a sign that the ducks are catching it.

THE public school is much in need of good maps, a globe and other school apparatus. The attendance is still good.

THE machinery was placed on Osborne & Smith's mining scow on Friday and was found to be too heavy for it. The scow is being enlarged.

AT this time of the year, when slides are frequently occurring along the banks of the river, is the time to look for lime stone or new coal seams.

THE mail is seventeen days out from Battleford to-day and is a week behind time. It gets to Battleford on time, but loses between Battleford and here.

THE contract for erecting the new Presbyterian church building has been awarded to J. R. Burton. The price \$650—all material furnished. The plastering and inside work will be in another contract.

J. M. BANNERMAN has sued F. Oliver, M. McCauley, J. Lake, L. Garneau, D. R. Fraser and W. Henderson, for \$825 damages for the destruction of his shanty last February—\$125 cost of shanty and \$700 loss of time.

NO westward bound freight has reached Humboldt yet and very little eastern travel goes that way now. Travellers from Battleford and further west cross the South Branch at Clark's ferry at the telegraph line, and strike straight for Qu'Appelle.

A PRAIRIE fire burned a number of rails on Mr. Bird's farm on the south side on Wednesday last. People should remember that any one who intentionally or otherwise lets a fire run at this time of the year leaves himself liable for all damage done and to a fine besides.

W. F. BREIDIN arrived from Montana on Thursday evening last alone, per ponies and buckboard. He was on the road since the 1st of April. He forded all the streams this side of Coulaton on the Yellowstone, except the Missouri, and the Black Mud creek, ten miles out from town.

THERE is a strong feeling that Edmonton should seek incorporation as a town shortly, not because we have a large population or because we wish people to think we have, but so that we can compel the owners of the two thousand pigs (more or less) which now go grunting around door steps and into gardens, to keep them at home.

Emerson wants to have its limits increased.

Winnipeg is erecting large immigrant sheds to accommodate this summer's rush.

The Casselton branch of the Northern Pacific is to be completed to the boundary line at West Lynne this summer.

The first Manitoba excursion train for the season left Ottawa on the 8th of March. There were 900 people on board.

A motion to abolish the Legislative Council of Nova Scotia was defeated in that body lately by a vote of twelve to nine.

The agents of the C.P.R. have arranged for the transportation of 15,000 immigrants from Great Britain to the North-West this season.

The Province of Manitoba is now to receive a subsidy of \$220,000. This increase is given on request of the premier, Mr. Norquay, in return for his promised support to the disallowance of the South-Eastern railway charter, which charter he was greatly instrumental in having granted by the Provincial Legislature.

From returns published it appears that H. S. Moore had a timber limit on the North Saskatchewan, and Cook & Sutherland on the Saskatchewan, for which they held a twenty-one years lease, but which have been cancelled. M. H. Cochrane has a yearly license to cut on Bow River and the department of Indian affairs a similar one to cut on Pincher creek, Geo. D. Farmer has a twenty-one years' lease of a limit on Red Deer river.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

Weather report for week ending Thursday evening, 11th May, 1882. Reported for the BULLETIN by Mr. Alexander Taylor, observer at Edmonton.

	Max.	Min.
Friday,	65	38
Saturday,	64	39
Sunday,	47	35
Monday,	60	25
Tuesday,	54	35
Wednesday,	63	25
Thursday,	72	44

Barometer 27.700 and rising.

Highest wind during week was on Wednesday night, 42 miles per hour, and lowest Thursday evening, 3 miles. Average for week, 9 miles per hour. About a quarter of an inch of rain fell on Monday.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

The men in the C.P.R. workshops in Winnipeg have struck.

Five hundred additional constables are wanted in Montreal.

There are 5,856 Roman Catholic churches in the United States.

Patent process flour is worth \$4.25 in Winnipeg and four X \$3.25.

The town site at the C.P.R. crossing of Pine Creek is valued at \$250,000.

The Western Union telegraph company operates 350,000 miles of wire.

A Walkerton, Ont., J. P. is on trial for threatening to shoot a bailiff.

A lathe has been invented for the turning of angles, squares and polygons.

The first passenger car of the Manitoba South-Western has arrived in Winnipeg.

Wages of laborers in the farming districts of Russia are from twenty-five to thirty cents daily.

Sixteen persons have been killed by an explosion in a dynamite factory in Port Vendres, France.

The Temperance Colonization Company will take Ontario lands in exchange for their North-West lands.

The Catholic Bishop of Montreal has served notice to quit on all tenants of church property selling liquor.

W. Bannerman, M. P., wants a revenue cutter sent to Hudson's Bay to protect Canadians from American traders.

Davitt, one of the Irish prisoners who are now confined in "British Bastilles," has been elected M. P. for Meath.

In a family of four girls in Madison Wisconsin, two are M.D's, one a dentist, and one a minister,—or ministeress.

Canadian born residents of Boston have formed an association to work for the annexation of Canada to the United States.

The stations along the line of the C.P.R. between Winnipeg and Brandon are not yet definitely located, but will be shortly.

A railroad company has been organized in Bismarck, Dakota, to run a railroad from that city to Turtle Mountain, Manitoba.

The Lord-Lieutenant refuses to permit the presentation of the freedom of the city of Dublin to Parnell and Dillon within the gaol.

Mr. Dunster says that he has succeeded in forming a syndicate to build the Vancouver Island Railway of the inhabitants of that place.

The first edition of the new maps of the North-West which were issued lately was exhausted in a few days and another 4,000 had to be ordered.

A correspondent of the Manitoba Free Press, writing from Touchwood Hills says that the hay there grows luxuriously on the top of the ridges.

Messrs. McGaw, Winnett and Sterling are about to erect a great palace hotel in Winnipeg, 200x260, five stories in height, with a cellar underneath.

"Pink-eye" is proving very destructive amongst horses in Belleville. A large number in the city and surrounding country have lately died from the disease.

During the last year there was an increase of products exported from the Dominion of \$0,000,000. In manufactured articles there was a decrease of \$2,000,000.

The length of the Panama canal will be 45 miles, two miles shorter than the railway which crosses the Isthmus. Millions of dollars have been already expended on the work, and the general opinion is that it will be a success.

Hon Wm. McDougall, who was appointed first governor of Manitoba but who was not allowed to hold the office, has been telling that he knows about the North-West in an migration pamphlet, published by the Department of Agriculture.

Six Mormon elders endeavored to hold an open-air meeting at King's Cross, London. They were accompanied by a procession of Mormon men and women singing. The meeting was broken up by a large crowd. Several persons were hurt.

By the postal regulations between Canada and the United States printed matter goes to the States for one cent a pound while the same class of matter if mailed in the States would have to pay a cent on every two ounces. On account of this difference in rates a great deal of matter intended for circulation in the States is printed in Canada.

In Manitoba and the North-West 600 miles of new post route have been established during the last year, with an increased travel of mail carriers amounting to 100,000 miles. The correspondence carried has increased fully fifty per cent. The number of post-offices in Manitoba and the North-West has increased from 66 in 1878, 119 in 1879, 147 in 1880, to 160 in 1881.

The Montreal Witness of Feb. 8th says, "There are very few furs coming in at present. The prospects for sales to be held next month in England are not very bright, particularly for red fox. Mink are also expected to be lower, other furs will it is believed do fairly. No decided advance is looked for, however, in any line. Quotations remain unchanged.

There has been considerable trouble in the British House of Commons lately, about a member named Bradlaugh, who refuses to take the oath as he does not believe in the existence of God. He goes a step farther than those who wish to disestablish the church,—he wishes to disestablish religion altogether. He was finally expelled from the House by a vote of 291 to 83, but will contest the seat in the new election that is to be held.

The Selkirk and Saskatchewan Railway Company is applying to the Legislature of Manitoba for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing, working and operating, with either single or double track, a line of railway from a point at or near the town of Selkirk, and from thence in a north-westerly direction to Mossy Portage via Fairford, with power to connect with Nelson River Railway, also with power to build bridges and to construct and work a telegraph line along the said main line, and for other purposes.

The Dominion registry books show the total number of steamers to be 934, with a gross tonnage of 192,800. During the past year thirty-two were lost or out of service. The wrecks and casualties which occurred to all vessels in Canadian waters and to Canadian vessels in foreign waters were 333, and the loss \$3,340,000. The lives lost were 134. The total number of vessels on the registry book on the 31st of December, including old and new vessels, steamers and barges, was 7,394, registering 1,310,896 tons.

The Brandon Sun says that "the disallowance by the Government of the South-Eastern charter has given rise to much comment, and the action of the Government in this matter is much to be regretted, and it is to be hoped that it will be reconsidered. The course now adopted will be a precedent for future action. If the Government see fit to refuse charters to roads of that nature, they will show conclusively that the Syndicate is the ruling power, and while we do not wish to see anything thrown in the way of that body, we do not hold that it has a prior claim on the country than have the pioneers who undergo untold hardships in order to make for themselves homes in what, without their aid, would be barren waste. Monopoly in this country cannot exist, and the mind of the people is a unit on that point, whatever other predilections they may have."

The following are some of the Dominion estimates for the year 1882-1883:—Civil Government, \$140,000; Arts and Agriculture, \$91,200; increase, \$10,000; Immigration, \$68,206; increase, \$32,000; Militia, \$751,900; increase, \$12,100; Pacific Railway, \$14,754,000; Compensation to St. Boniface Hospital for 1876, \$80; Manitoba Penitentiary, \$33,000; Parliament Buildings, Winnipeg, \$30,000; Lieut. Governor's residence in Winnipeg, \$24,500; Public Buildings in the North-West Territories, \$5,000; Dominion Lunatic Asylum for the North-West Territories, \$10,000; Improvements at the mouth of Red River, \$12,000; Improvement of the Harbours and Rivers of Manitoba, \$1,000; Subsidies to all the Provinces, \$351,200; the Geological Survey, \$60,000; Indians, \$909,808; Mounted Police, \$413,000; increase, \$123,000.

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## LOCAL.

FRESH beef steak costs 18 cents a pound.

FRANK HART was still improving at last accounts.

GRASS is getting green and the roads are drying up.

GAME of cricket on Saturday afternoon last near the Fort.

Mining by hand on the river this spring is not very good, owing to the high water.

A. MACDONALD & Co. will erect a large building on the Sinclair claim this summer.

J. MURPHY has purchased J. Couture's place, adjoining Sanderson & Looby's for \$250.

SEEDING is nearly over in the Little Mountain settlement. The ground is in splendid condition.

DONALD McLEOD has sent thirteen cart loads of seed potatoes to Bow river. He will follow next week.

DONALD McLEOD is going to put up a three thousand dollar building on his property, to be used as a hotel.

DAN McRAE brought down a raft of flat timber from the White Mud for D. Ross and D. McLeod last week.

FRESH fish, principally gold eyes, retail in town at the rate of two for a quarter. They are caught in nets in the river.

FLOUR, which every one thought would be scarce, is plentiful yet at \$10 to \$12 a sack, with a considerable amount on hand.

THE real estate boom is taking a rest, for lack of buyers. Other kinds of business is also resting for want of anything to sell.

A PUBLIC meeting will be held in the school house on Tuesday evening next at 8 p.m., to consider the cemetery question. A definite plan will be proposed and a suitable site suggested.

## THE OLD STORY AGAIN.

To the Editor of the BULLETIN.

SIR.—The following notice was handed to me the other day under date of May 4th: "Sir, I beg to notify you that I hold you responsible for the threats made me if I improved on the premises occupied by me, and that I stopped plowing on said premises and otherwise improving the same through threats made by you and other parties, as well as through the action of the timber agent, no doubt, induced by you, and take notice that I claim 30 rods river frontage between your proper west line and the lawful claimant on the west of me. If I am left in peaceable possession of thirty rods frontage and as far as the government may allow in the rear, I claim no more but insist on that quantity of land as my undoubted right, which I shall attempt to enforce at the proper time and in the proper manner. I hold you responsible for the not further improving my land."

"Yours, &c.,

"WM. HUMBERSTONE.

"DONALD McLEOD, Esq.,  
Edmonton.

I would like to find out what kind of threats would be too bad for such a man as this Humberstone. I have treated him with kindness until I am sick and tired of doing so. I have notified him in legal form but he will listen to nothing. I think the man must be insane, for no less than three times I have saved himself and his shanty from being thrown down the bank and now, the thanks that I get is that he claims 30 rods or 7 chains out of 93-4 chains that I have been living on and improving for the last twelve years. I squatted on this claim when Portage la Prairie was our nearest neighbor, and here comes one of the wise men of the east last July, after I had sown my crops, and he puts up a shanty on my claim that I was living on. He builds this shanty between my house and my field and ploughs the public road that was in use for twenty years before, and now claims this thirty rods out of my land. His shanty is only three and one half chains from my eastern line, and my whole frontage is only 9 chains and 98 links according to the survey of R. Bourne, D.L.S. Twelve years ago I squatted on 15 chains frontage but the M.B. Co. came three years after we had squatted

on this point and they must have their whack out of us by cutting away the back of our claims and we had to take the back seat and make room for them of course. I have spent in the neighborhood of \$7,000 in improvements on this claim, and now, by the way I read this notice, I will have to clear away for this man Humberstone with his little shanty worth \$50. In the same way he acknowledges my property and still he does all his improvements on it, and would continue improving it if he were allowed. He was fencing in and was going to plough where I had staked out to build a \$3,000 building on my own property or homestead when I stopped him, and I will stop him again if he makes any improvement on that portion or any portion of my homestead, until it is given or granted to him by the government of Canada; and when they do grant it to him I will give Wm. Humberstone a quit claim deed for all my claim and interest in this Dominion of Canada and treat him to a bottle of champagne, supposing I had to go a thousand miles to get it for him. It is worth considerable to us frontiersmen to get posted in the rules and regulations of this Canada of ours.

This wise man of the east may think that we are a lot of ignorant know-nothings in this far west and that he can swindle us as he has a mind to do. We will admit we are all such as he thinks but still we may give him a chance to come on with his \$10,000 that he blows so much about having, to enforce the getting of this claim with. Or he may be showing us an example of the National Policy of Ontario.

DONALD McLEOD.

## DEATH.

Marshal Bredin, who had been suffering for about a week from fever of some kind, died last Sunday morning between four and five o'clock. He arrived here from Winnipeg the mail before last, and at once went into partnership with Mr. A. D. Osborne, in a gold mining machine that Osborne was getting up. About two weeks ago, although not feeling very well, he assisted in putting the mining scow in the water and stood in the water and amongst the ice a good deal. He was advised not to do so, but being of a hardy nature, and anxious to get the job done, he took no notice. That night he asked to be allowed to stay in Osborne's room in the H.B.Co. fort, as he did not feel like going across the river to his own place to sleep. In the morning he was very ill and kept his bed for several days. When the mail arrived on Wednesday of last week he felt so much better that he got up and got his mail and on Friday came up town to return a broad axe he had borrowed. The exertion however, was too much for him and brought on a relapse. He took to bed again, suffering greatly, but not anticipating any danger. He continued very ill all Friday night, Saturday and Saturday night and was waited on by the other men who slept in the same room. About midnight on Saturday he seemed easier and got up for a drink of water. Shortly afterwards he asked Ed. Burnas, who was in the room, to cover his feet as they were cold. Burnas did so and nothing further occurred until about four o'clock, when he called on Osborne to get him a drink. Osborne had been dreaming that the scow was sinking, so he took a pail and went down to the river for water, wishing at the same time to look at the scow, and leaving the rest of the men fast asleep. When he got back they were still asleep. He spoke to Bredin asking him how he was now, but getting no answer he went close to him and saw that he was dead.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock; about forty people attended. The service was read in the Methodist church by Rev. Mr. Baird; the burial was in the graveyard adjoining.

The deceased was exceptionally strong and healthy looking and death came on him so suddenly that he failed very little in appearance. He was a little over twenty-two years of age. He expected to be joined here shortly by his brother who was coming from Montana, and who may be here any moment. His parents live in Winnipeg, and as the telegraph line is down it will be weeks yet before they can hear the sad news.

## EDMONTON HOTEL.

The Pioneer House of Entertainment was of Portage la Prairie.

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### BRUSH PLOWS.

Some of those who are coming to Edmonton during the coming season to take up land should bring with them one or more brush plows. None of the country around here is true prairie, and many of the best locations, both for quality of land and good situation, have remained untaken on account of there being a small quantity of scrub on them. Up to the present there has been plenty of open land and choice of locations so that no one needed to take a scrubby farm, but now settlers are getting so close together and land near town is priced at such a high figure that many will want to take places that have been passed by before on account of this fault. To clear them off by hand work, that is grubbing, will entail a great amount of labor, while with a brush plow and two or three yokes of cattle the same work could be done at a great deal less expense, and in a quarter of the time. Near town there are no places that would require the brush plow over the whole of them and yet there are very few that can be brought altogether under cultivation without it. Of course there is plenty of open land not far away that is yet unclaimed, but it is a well known fact that where the wood or scrub grows the land is better than where it does not.

### SQUATTERS' RIGHTS.

It appears from our last week's despatches that the 452nd Dominion Lands Act or amendment to a Dominion Lands Act, which has lately been introduced in Parliament gives squatters every right that they have demanded or could reasonably ask for. It took the wise men of the east a long time to reach this point, but now that they have at last reached it, let us be thankful. Let us shout for joy because they have graciously concluded not to evict us from our homes at the point of the bayonet—because, when they are throwing slices of land to every one who asks, they have thrown us our little share too.

But no matter what the motive was or who else is to get favors the fact remains that the actual settlers of the North-West are at last to receive justice. What they have is to be acknowledged as belonging to them, and instead of a penalty being threatened a bonus is offered for settlement in advance of survey. By the new law the pioneer may pick out any place that he may desire and not even the mighty Syndicate can take it from him, and if he should happen to be on land that afterwards becomes valuable as a town site it makes no difference. This law guarantees to the squatter his just reward for the privations he must undergo and the difficulties that he must face in going ahead of civilization, and gives muscle and gumption equal chances with mere capital in the great race for wealth in this country. Actual settlers now have a better chance going ahead of surveys than following them. Before the surveys are made all the land is open for homesteading, and settlers may go into any district pick out the best locations and settle as thick as they

like, while if they wait until the surveys are made and all the different grabbers get their share the best locations will be taken and at least every other section will have to be paid for. It now lies with the settlers themselves whether they have the best lands or not and whether they are left to the tender mercies of speculators or not. By facing a little extra trouble and hardship they can be independent of every one, holding their land in their own right and leaving the speculators to make their money as best they may.

We now look for a large immigration of settlers to this district during the ensuing summer. The fact of the land not being surveyed and the announcement that squatters' rights would not be recognized has caused many to settle in far inferior districts further east, where they could be certain of getting the land they improved, but now when the whole district is practically thrown open for homesteading with no present possibility of large portions of it being grabbed by speculators, actual settlers have better opportunities than they will probably ever have again, and if they lose them they will have no one to blame but themselves.

It is now reported that the North-West is to have four governors instead of one. As it has got along very well so far with only one and he being governor only in name, and latterly not residing in or near the territories, it is hard to see what necessity there is for four full blown governors. Each one would have at the outside not more than three thousand people to rule over, and to give an official the title and salary of governor for the sake of such a small number would only be a farce. It is right enough that the territories should be divided into provincial districts, and that in future, when the population has increased that they should be constituted provinces, but at present the money that would necessarily be spent in supporting four petty governors could be much better employed in improving the roads, and in many other kinds of public works.

The melancholy event of last Sunday morning has been a sharp reminder to the general public of the necessity of a cemetery, and while the matter is still fresh in their minds they should take such action as will lead to a definite result. Owing to the short notice that was given of a meeting on the subject, to be held in the school house last Saturday evening, and the damp weather, there was no turn out, each one probably being willing to allow some one else to take the matter in hand, but it is a clear case that unless something is done shortly a great deal of money will have to be spent in the future for what could be had for the taking now. All that is necessary is that a small piece of land should be fenced and set aside for that purpose, and the only cost would be the fencing.

War is expected between Austria and Russia.

The Saskatchewan and Peace River Railway company must commence work in two years and finish in eight, forty miles to be constructed each year or the company to forfeit its charter.

The lands taken up in the North-West during the twelve months ending the 21st October, 1881, were:—Homesteads, 438,707 acres; pre-emptions, 263,647 acres; sales, 355,165 acres; showing an increase this year of 278,505 acres. The receipts since last report were, \$352,000.

BUTTER BOWLS at Frank Oliver's.

### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as general merchants, in the city of Edmonton, has been this day dissolved by effluxion of time and mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to Alexander Macdonald and John C. Cameron at Edmonton aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Alexander Macdonald and John C. Cameron, by whom the same will be settled.

Signed,  
Witness, { ALEXANDER MACDONALD.  
              { CHARLES STEWART,  
H'Y BLEEKER. { JOHN C. CAMERON.

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STRAYED on to the premises of the undersigned a dark, bay mare, scar on off hip. Three white heels. Sold by me to Van Courtland last summer. Owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses, and take the animal away.

J. YORKE.